

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Assessment Grant

\$300,000 for hazardous substances

\$300,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the City of Ontario for a brownfields assessment coalition grant. Community-wide hazardous substances grant funds will be used to conduct 12 Phase I and six Phase II environmental site assessments, and prepare two cleanup plans. Community-wide petroleum grant funds will be used to perform the same tasks at sites with potential petroleum contamination. Grant funds of both types also will be used to create a brownfields inventory, prioritize sites, conduct area-wide planning, and support community outreach activities. Assessment activities will focus on downtown areas and commercial corridors in the Cities of Ontario, Nyssa, and Vale, and high-priority brownfields in unincorporated areas of Malheur County. Coalition partners are the Cities of Nyssa and Vale, and Malheur County.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

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Grant Recipient: City of Ontario, OR (541) 881-3222

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